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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am very concerned about the petition of US Telecom to undo parts of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. I used to have my telephone and Internet service through AT&T, but several years ago switched to Sonic.net. I not only found that I paid less for the service, but also received much better service with Sonic. If the changes for which US Telecom has petitioned go through, I am very worried that my cost will increase and the level of service will decline. I depend on good broadband service in doing research for my writing and would be negatively affected by a loss in the reliability that Sonic offers. In addition, I am a senior living on less income than I had when I was working, so have to economize. A price increase in my phone and Internet service would affect me negatively.

Please do not grant this petition to change the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

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